

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application.

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2004, applicant hereby elects, the claims of Group I, claims 1-2 and 4.

Applicant, of course, reserves the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Claim 3 is currently being amended to depend from independent claim 1. Because claim 3 now depends from elected claim 1, applicants respectfully request that claim 3 likewise be examined on the merits.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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